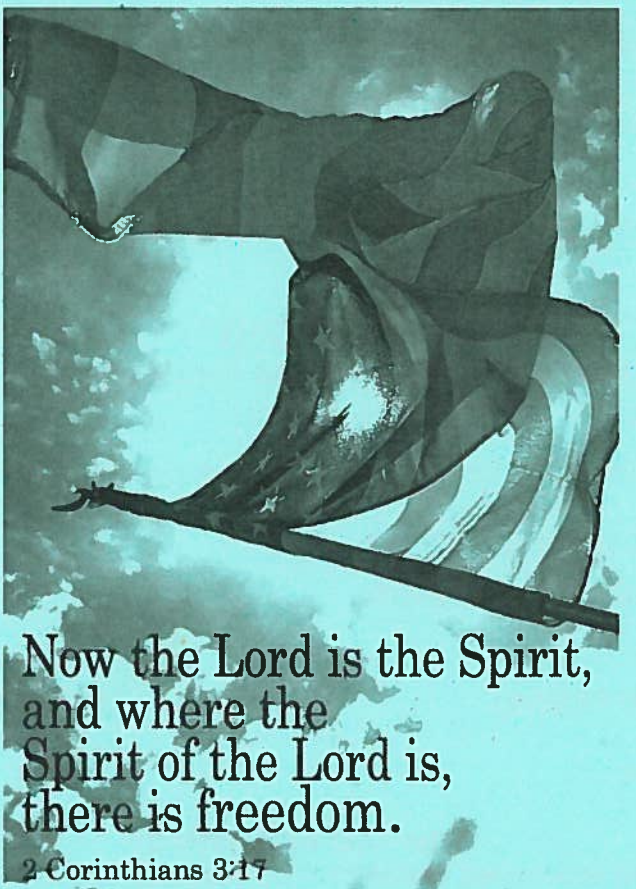

GRACE BIBLE CHURCH
222 Boulder Drive, Gallup, NM 87301

Sunday School - 9:00 AM
Worship Service - 10:15 AM
Youth Group - 6:00 PM
Edge - 6:00 PM
Prayer Time - 6:00 PM

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Grace Bible Church
~ The Lord's Day ~
July 2, 2017

WELCOME

9:00 AM **Sunday School for all ages**
10:15 AM **Worship Service**

Praise & Worship

Welcome / Announcements

Offering *

Scripture Reading — Psalm 119:73-80

Message — John Luginbuhl

"The God of Comfort!"
(Part 10 of a Series in Psalm 119, "Magnifying God's Word!")

Closing

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*Children age 3 -grade 4 will be dismissed to Children's Church after the Offering

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LATER TODAY...

NOON: WE SAY "GOODBYE AND GOD BLESS YOU" to Glenn and Shirley Marshall today, as they move to North Carolina on July 4. Please join us for a cake reception in their honor right after worship service!

6:00 PM Youth Group (grades 6-12)
6:00 PM Prayer Time
6:00 PM Edge Group (age 18-25)

WE WELCOME YOU!

There are many good reasons for coming to church, but we hope that your joining us this morning includes the best reason: to thank and worship God for His amazing love revealed in the birth, life, and ministry, the suffering and death, and the wondrous resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ! This is what our church is all about! If you are visiting today, please fill out a guest card and bring it to our Welcome Center in the foyer and receive a free gift. Thank you ... and visit us again!

The mission of our church is to prayerfully prepare believers for worshiping God, serving Christ, loving one another, and reaching out to others!

2017 YEAR VERSE:

"You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all Your soul and with all your might."

~ Deuteronomy 6:5

ARE YOU REGISTERED FOR CAMP YET? There are still five weeks to choose from at Broken Arrow Bible Ranch! "Junior Camp", (ages 8-12) weeks are this week, July 10 and July 17. "Teen Camp", (ages 13-19) weeks are July 24 and July 31. Bright orange information/registration forms are at the Welcome Desk. Why not go to camp this Summer? You'll be glad you did!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO EARN 4% on your money? You CAN, by loaning money to the church via a "Promissory Note" to help us pay off our bank loan! Please see Pastor John or Steve Knox.

Summer is the perfect time to give someone a gospel tract! Tracts are available for you at the Welcome Desk in the foyer.

A LIST of June birthdays and anniversaries of GBC regular-attenders is on the kitchen door. Please make (legible) additions/corrections right on the list. Thank you!

This Week in Church History...

On July 4, 1831, the American patriotic hymn "America", written by Baptist clergyman, Samuel Francis Smith, was first sung at worship services at Park Street Church in Boston, Massachusetts. Smith had taken the tune from a German songbook and was unaware that it was also the tune of the British national anthem "God Save the King (Queen)."

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

"Evangelism in the New Testament sense is the vocation of every believer and there is therefore something radically wrong when we imply that personal evangelism is the province of those who have the time and/or inclination to take special courses and learn special techniques.

~ Roland Allen

PRAISE & PETITION

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord."

~ Psalm 33:12a

Praise the Lord for:

1. Our nation and all the freedoms we enjoy!
2. The wonderful gift of salvation that is ours as we put our faith in Jesus Christ, Who died in our place for our sin.
3. The summer season, with all of its opportunities for traveling and witnessing.
4. A great third week of camp at Broken Arrow Bible Ranch—many decisions for Jesus!
5. A wonderful SWCC Leadership Conference in Scottsdale!
6. His faithfulness in our lives!

Petition the Lord for:

1. More of a heart for the lost! More desire to share the gospel!
2. All our moms, dads, families, as they strive to take a stand for Jesus Christ.
3. The staff at Broken Arrow Bible Ranch, as they prepare to begin week #4 of the camping season tomorrow.
4. Caitie Yale, ministering in Uganda; Jose Silva, ministering in the U.S.; Jared Sowers, ministering in South Korea.
5. Glenn & Shirley Marshall as they prepare to move to North Carolina.
6. Sean Begaye, in Afghanistan; Adam Sowers (S. Korea); Kyle Prendergast (Ophelia Krupica's son), stationed (Air Force) in Germany; Jesus, Jessalyn, Nora, and Ayla Ubanda (Okinawa, Japan); Whitney Pratt (Air Force); Jared Payton (Tucson, AZ)
7. Our President, Vice-President and staff, military advisors, military men and women.
8. Those who need the Lord's healing touch:
   - Jeremy Richardson (brain tumor)
   - Eliza Jonkman (Schells' granddaughter)
   - Linda Luginbuhl (cancer)
   - Shirley Marshall (Good Samaritan, Grants)
   - Doris Smallcanyon (recovering from surgery)
   - Nellie Lee (shoulder surgery)
   - Clarissa Darnell (weakening heart)

"The God of Comfort!"

(Part 10 of a Series in Psalm 119, "Magnifying God's Word!")

Psalm 119:73-80

This section of Psalm 119 ("Yodh" [pronounced, "Yothe"] 10th letter of the Hebrew alphabet; has "Y" sound) deals with God's comfort/consolation during times of affliction and trouble. Do you need God's comfort today? Let's see what God's Word has to say about this important topic!

1. The Need for Comfort

2. The Source of Comfort

3. Comfort and Others

This Week at Grace Bible...
(Here at the church unless otherwise noted.)

Monday, July 3

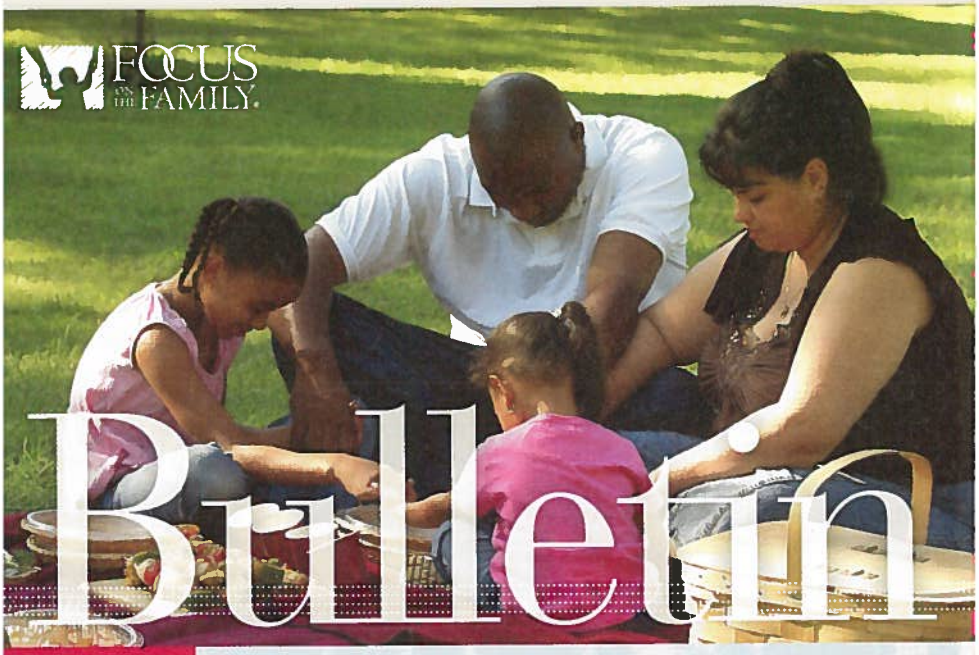
7:00 PM	Luginbuhl's Life Group meets at the church; Study in Colossians
7:00 PM	"Impact Group" (20's and 30's Young Professionals) Bible Study at Steve & Jackie Yoder's home, 3607 Chaco Drive

Saturday, July 8

8:00-9:00 AM	Men's Breakfast a Don Diego's (801 West Historic Route 66)

COMING SOON:

July 30	Quarterly Business Meeting
August 12	Ladies' Progressive Dinner



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TOUGH QUESTIONS FROM KIDS

Why does the world have different religions?

Happy Fourth of July!

Our Fragile Freedoms

BY JIM DALY

AMERICAN PATRIOTISM HITS A HIGH POINT AT ABOUT THIS TIME every year. Independence Day celebrations remind us of our nation's rich history of honoring freedom and liberty.

Has the U.S. been perfect? Of course not. America is truly exceptional, but we're also confronted with the sad reality of some very dark chapters that can tarnish the national pride we feel.

I believe that much of what has tarnished our history has come about because people have not been taught, or they've forgotten, the original noble idea of our great nation: The United States of America is the first country in the history of the world that was established and meant to exist specifically for the benefit of others.

Many people I talk to in the Christian community believe our values are being systematically degraded. They want to know how we can apply biblical standards to today's issues and offer light, so our nation can "keep" its freedoms.

It's up to us, the American citizens, to "keep" the promise of our republic alive. The system of liberty our founders created and handed down to us is not self-sustaining. If American citizens aren't engaged and protecting the principles of our Constitution, we'll lose the fragile structure upon which all of our freedoms rest.

Prevent the Summer Slide

Students lose an average of one month of academic learning over the summer break, according to research from the RAND Corporation. To prevent this "summer slide," make reading a part of your family's summer fun.

Read together: My husband and I each choose one book in our kids' favorite series and read alongside them. Reading from their area of interest gives us a glimpse into their world and leads to great discussions.

Make research fun: Going on vacation? Research your destination. Challenge the kids to find one fun fact about local history or animal life.

Take advantage of library reading programs: Many libraries have fun incentives. Our library sponsors prize giveaways and social events for tweens.

Start a book club: Choose a popular title, and invite your kids and their friends to read along. Organize a get-together that includes food, fun and discussion.

—*Shannon Hale*

The Heart Issues Behind the Attitudes

I'm convinced that when a teen demonstrates attitudes of disrespect or defiance, it's important for parents to address both the behavior *and* the heart issues behind that behavior. Here are a few recommendations:

Find the attitude pattern. Look for consistent behavior that stems from a single attitude pattern—such as arrogance, entitlement or apathy. Then resist the temptation to be distracted by the symptoms and go for the deeper issue.

Evaluate the emotion. A teen's disrespectful attitude is usually fueled by emotion, so it's helpful to ask yourself, *What emotions are going on behind my teen's attitude?*

Offer gentle correction. A reminder wrapped in lighthearted communication may be all it takes to correct an attitude. I often told my teens, "You need to circle 'round the airport and land that plane again." It's a gentle way to say, "The way you spoke to me is not okay. You need to try that again."

Maintain margin. In order to be appropriately responsive, parents need enough time, focus and energy to recognize and address the disrespect in their homes. These are the years that teens desperately need parents who affirm them when they get it right and hold them accountable when they don't.

—*Jill Savage*

Strengthening Your Spiritual Bond

We planned every detail of our honeymoon. After saying goodbye to our families, my bride and I drove 40 miles from the church to our hotel. It was late, and our hearts were racing with anticipation. And just as we'd planned, we did something on our first night together that we have done every night since—for the past 15 years. We prayed.

Scripture describes marriage as a one-flesh love (Genesis 2:24). When a man and woman unite in marriage, they form a bond that is stronger than any other relationship on earth; they become "one flesh." We often think of physical intimacy as the deepest expression of that love. I'm convinced, however, that there's something even deeper.

By God's design, praying with your spouse intensifies and strengthens your spiritual bond. When you pray together, your vulnerability with your heavenly Father deepens and enriches your marriage relationship.

Here are a few ideas for making your prayer time as a couple even more meaningful.

Break routine. Don't let mealtime be the only time you pray together. You can avoid falling into this rut by praying at other times of the day too. Most Christians have been taught the importance of beginning the day with prayer. But ending the day in prayer deserves equal priority. It is hard to feel disconnected from or to stay angry at each other when you pray together before falling asleep.

Be real. Confess your sins to each other when you pray (James 5:16). Quick, trite or repetitive prayers do not reveal what is really going on in your heart. Wordsmith your prayers much like you would any other conversation. If you said the same thing over and over again to your spouse, your marriage would grow stale and shallow. The same is true of your prayers. Keep them fresh, and take your time to say what needs to be said.

Before you fall asleep tonight, reach for your spouse's hand, pray and offer a gentle kiss good night. Inviting your spouse into your personal conversation with the Lord will deepen your marriage even as it strengthens your relationship with God.

—*Ted Cunningham*

Family Matters

Answers to your questions . . .

Could you help me think about the concept of chores for our children?

Answer:

You should use chores to teach character and responsibility. My wife, Sande, once threw a banana peel on the kitchen floor and left it there to see what the rest of us would do. One by one, our kids walked by and looked at it. Most of us, parent and child alike, have thought at one time or another, *That's not my job*. And sometimes it's not. But I'm always pleased to see customers in the grocery store picking up cereal boxes that have tipped off the shelves or apples that have rolled to the produce-section floor. When I see an accident like that, I stop to help. If the kids are with me, they learn more about chipping in than they do from any lecture I could ever give them about helping out around the house.

Chores are a good way to teach character . . . with a few caveats:

- Make jobs age appropriate.
- To avoid conflict between siblings, have kids work in different areas of the house.
- Change the jobs occasionally. There's nothing worse than being "the garbage person" for life . . . with no hope of parole.
- If you want a job done right, do it yourself—but I'm talking about parenting, not sweeping the floor. If you want to teach your two-year-old daughter to pitch in, give her a broom and a dustpan and a lot of slack. Don't stand over her like a field marshal and criticize her work. It's much more important that your kids learn enthusiasm for helping than how to make the kitchen floor sparkle.

(Adapted from *It's Your Kid, Not a Gerbil* by Dr. Kevin Leman)

TOUGH QUESTIONS FROM KIDS

Answer:

Cultures that don't know God have tried to explain Him in their own ways, forming their own religions. Then there are people who don't want to believe there's one way to God, so they start their own way. But the Bible tells us that Jesus Christ is the only way to God.

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